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Amendment After Final
Attorney Docket No. S63.2H-9828-US01

Remarks

This Amendment After Final is in response to the Advisory Action dated April 28, 2004, wherein claim 5 was allowed and the rejection to claims 1-4, 6-8 and 17 based on US 5,460,608 to Lordin et al (Lordin) was maintained.

In regard to the outstanding rejection to claim 1, Applicants continue to assert that US 5,460,608 to Lordin et al fails to teach all of the elements of the instant claims. In light of the allowance of claim 5 however, Applicants have cancelled claim 5 without prejudice or disclaimer and amended claim 1 to include all of the elements of claim 5. Claims 2-4, 6-8 and 17 depend from allowed claim 1.

Applicants however reserve the right to prosecute the cancelled and/or withdrawn claims in one or more continuation or divisional Applications.

Conclusion

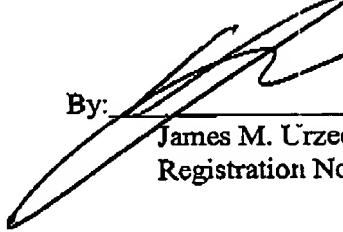
Based on at least the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present Application with claims 1-4, 6-8, and 17 is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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